

Addressing Workgroup Meeting Minutes

March 2nd, 2018

Present:

Mindy Cochran, Flathead County GIS

Nate Holm, Flathead County GIS

Darrell Schwartz, 911 Center

Barb Schwartz, Columbia Falls

Alex Vissotzky, Columbia Falls

- **Legal vs 911 data:** Darrell brought up the topic of legal road names vs. 911 road names. GIS represents legal road names (i.e. the way the road is platted) where 911 represents how the road is signed. Unfortunately, these do not always match up. Discussion on some examples followed.
- **LUCA:** Flathead County is expecting their LUCA (Local update of Census Addresses) package next week.
- **Updating post office database does not update private company's databases:** Nate mentioned that a landowner in Lakeside was having difficulty with his address, and he assisted him with getting the address in the Post Office's database. The landowner was still having trouble with certain private agencies not having his address, and the Post Office suggested that the agencies request an updated address list from them. Barb asked if Nate notifies the post office when he assigns a new address. He only does if it is for a re-addressing project.
- **½ addresses:** Barb mentioned the city council approved an ordinance for garages to become guesthouses, so they were trying to decide how to address those. Mindy suggested going with unit numbers rather than ½ addresses. Nate said the most important thing is to be consistent. Darrell suggested if they are mixing suites and unit numbers in the same building, that numbers are not repeated (i.e. ste. 101 and unit 101 would be problematic). Barb mentioned that they were handling a situation where the landowner had started using addresses that the city did not assign.
- **Next Meeting: 10 am Thursday, September 6th, 2018. 3rd Floor Conference Room, Old County Courthouse at 800 S Main Street, Kalispell, MT.**